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Dear Commissioner Henry:

As you may know, the HOVENSA Environmental Response Trust (ERT) submitted a revised 2018 budget proposal, dated November 1, 2018. I have attached a copy for your convenience. The ERT's revised budget proposal seeks approval to spend funds in excess of its existing 2018 budget, which was approved by EPA in May 2018, in order to complete landfarm closure activities in 2018.

Some of the projected expenditures listed in Table 1 of the ERT's revised budget proposal (line items 1-6 and 8) are subject to EPA approval after consultation with the VI. See Section 7.13.1 of the ERT Agreement. Landfarm closure activities are listed in line 6 of Table 1.

EPA is prepared to approve the revised proposed budget allowing the ERT to complete landfarm closure activities in 2018. If you have any concern regarding EPA's approval of this item, please detail your concerns and send them to my attention by November 21. If we don't hear from you by November 21, we will assume you have no comments and EPA will approve the revised budget accordingly.

Of course, EPA would like to approve the revised budget as soon as possible so that the ERT may continue its closure activities. If you are able to respond prior to November 21, that would be appreciated.

Please feel free to call me at the telephone number below.

Thank you.

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